Intelligence Taps Industry for Essential Technologies

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The U.S. intelligence community will be relying to a greater degree on commercial technologies to meet its current and future requirements, including some that formerly were the purview of government laboratories. And, because much of the community's research is applied research, it will select its budgeting priorities based in part on how well the commercial sector can fill in some technology gaps on its own.

Dawn Meyerriecks, the outgoing assistant director of national intelligence for acquisition, technology and facilities in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), says that the community will work with industry on the development of most key technologies, and the government will perform the systems engineering necessary to bring the innovations into a useful, and possibly classified, realm.

"We can't do this ourselves," she declares. "We don't have a choice."

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